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POULTRY PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the Poultry production has increased in the country during 2004-05 ;

(b) If so, the details of the production recorded as compared to previous year ;

(c) The number of poultry processing plants set up in various parts of the country during the said period ;

(d) The assistance provided for promotion of poultry production to various States during the said period and the current financial year; and

(e) The estimated number of persons engaged in Poultry Sector in the country ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b): Following are the details of poultry production in 2003-04 and 2004-05:

Item of Production	2003-04	2004-05
Eggs (billion)	40.4	45.2
Chicken Meat(Million Metric Tonne)	1.60	1.65

These FAO figures are for calendar years 2003 and 2004.

(c): There is no information of any new poultry processing plant having being established in the country in 2004-05

(d) : The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries provide following financial assistance to various States and Union Territories during the relevant period:

Amounts in Rs. crore

2004-05	2005-06	2006-07 (Till Nov' 2006)
14.37	23.18	12.86

(e):The number of persons engaged in poultry related activities, directly or indirectly, are estimated at around three million .